

House Resolution 1103

By: Representative Hudson of the 124th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Mayor Edward D. Ricketson, Jr., on the occasion of his retirement; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Edward D. Ricketson, Jr., has served as mayor of the City of Warrenton for 11
4 prosperous years; and

5 WHEREAS, Mayor Ricketson comes from a long line of public servants; his father, Edward
6 D. Ricketson, Sr., was elected to the state Senate in 1955, and his grandfather was elected
7 to the Senate in 1925; and

8 WHEREAS, Mayor Ricketson first entered politics in 1985, when he won a seat in the House
9 of Representatives, serving from 1986 to 1992; upon leaving this office, he entered local
10 politics by taking office as mayor of the City of Warrenton on January 1, 1994; and

11 WHEREAS, Mayor Ricketson has overseen a prosperous and happy period for the city, and
12 among the many accomplishments of his administration are the garnering of over \$4 million
13 in grant funds for water and sewer projects, renovating the old Warrenton gymnasium to
14 become the Warrenton/Warren County Cultural Center, and the construction of the
15 Warrenton Learning Center; and

16 WHEREAS, the two primary goals Mayor Ricketson had when first entering office were to
17 save Warrenton money and to run the city more like a business, and he has proudly
18 accomplished both of these objectives; and

19 WHEREAS, Mayor Ricketson left office on December 31, 2005, leaving his beloved city a
20 legacy of fiscal responsibility, forward-looking development, and strong and able leadership.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body join in commending Mayor Edward D. Ricketson, Jr., for 11 years
3 of outstanding leadership to his community and extend their sincere best wishes on the
4 occasion of his retirement.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
6 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mayor Edward D.
7 Ricketson, Jr.